[Ibuki Satsuki's Comic Collection]

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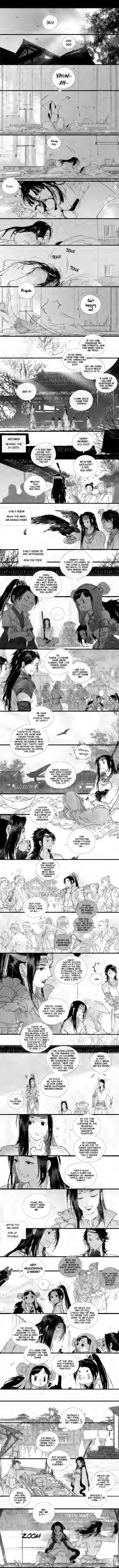
THE FOLLOWING
CHAPTER IS A STORY THAT
DIDN'T MAKE IT INTO
<MOUNTAINS AND RIVERS>


CHIRP
CHIRP CHIRP
YAWN~ AH~
Alley oop.
Zzzz
TICKLE
TICKLE
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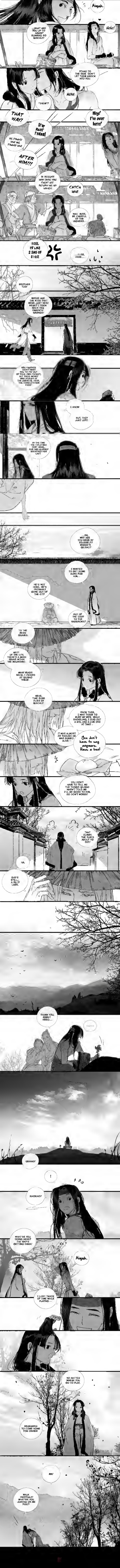
Aiyah.
Quit bugging me!
IF YOU SEE FENGIANG ON THE STREETS, ASK HER WHEN SHE'LL BE FREE!
OTHERWISE, LOOK FOR HER IN THE BARRACKS OUTSIDE THE CITY!
GET ME SOME FLOUR WHILE YOU'RE AT IT...
I HAVE TO DELIVER PAINTINGS IN THE AFTERNOON...
GOT IT!
COME BACK HOME FOR DINNER!
MORNING
WANDER THE STREETS
UWAH! MORNIN', BIG BRO!
IT'S YOU TWO AGAIN. DID YOU COLLECT PROTECTION FEES AGAIN TODAY?
W-W-WE WOULDN'T DARE, BIG BRO!
WHO'RE YOU CALLING BIG BRO.
EARLY NOON
WALK THE BIRD, EXCHANGE NEWS
EARLY NOON TO MID-AFTERNOON
BEG FOR FOOD
HMMPH! THIS STREET BELONGS TO THE ZANG AI GANG! GO BACK TO YOUR PIER WHERE YOU BELONG!
FUFU, THE KUANG SHAO YI GANG WILL NOT STAY IN THE PIER FOREVER THE DAY WILL COME WHEN WE DEVOUR YOU GUYS!
OI, THESE UIGHERS HAVE BEEN TURNING THE CITY UPSIDE DOWN RECENTLY.
ARE YOU JUST GOING TO LET THEM BE?
WE HAVE SOME STATUS HERE AT LEAST!
I THOUGHT THERE'D BE PEACE WHEN THE ARMY AND THOSE FROM THE HEAVENLY STRATAGEM MANOR RETURNED. WHO KNEW THAT THEY'D HAVE TO DEPEND ON THESE FOREIGNERS TO ENTER THE CITY!
Mrngh, mrngh
THOSE UIGHERS HAVE BEEN KILLING, ROBBING AND LOOTING. HOW LONG DO THEY INTEND TO KEEP THIS UP?
THEY'RE HERE AGAIN THEY'VE BEEN BLOCKING UP THE CITY ENTRANCE,
AND EXTORTING EVERY CITIZEN THAT PASSED BY...
MEN FROM THE HEAVENLY STRATAGEM MANOR WERE SENT TO MAINTAIN ORDER,
BUT THEY COULD NOT STOP THEM AT ALL...
PLEASE LET US OFF! MY FAMILY IS POOR, AND OUR CHILD IS SICK. WE NEED THE MONEY TO BUY HIM HIS MEDICINE...
SPARE ME FROM YOUR WHINING!
HMPH! THEY'VE GOTTEN INTO A BIG FIGHT OVER AT THE SKY WELCOMING GATE ALTHOUGH I'D LOVE TO BEAT THEM INTO A PULP. THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO! WHAT A PITY!
OH!
YOU'VE HEARD WHAT THE LORD TOLD THAT UIGHER PRINCE ON THE STREETS!
RIDING ON THEIR FAVOURABLE RELATIONS WITH THE IMPERIAL COURT, THEY'VE BEEN GOING AROUND RANSACKING THE CITY. IF THE MANOR CONFRONTS THEM DIRECTLY, THEY'D COMPLAIN TO THE HIGHER UPS.
THE CONCLUSION IS THE HIGHER UPS FEAR US CAUSING MORE TROUBLE THAN WE BARGAINED FOR, GIVING THEM THE PERFECT CHANCE TO LOOT AS THEY PLEASE!
WOAH, A COP —NO, I MEAN, GOOD DAY, SISTER FENG!
AS SUCH, WE CAN ONLY GLOSS OVER THESE BASTARDS' WRONGDOINGS!
SO FRUSTRATING!
AT THE END OF THE DAY, LUOYANG IS THE HEAVENLY STRATAGEM MANOR'S TERRITORY
BY TURNING A BLIND EYE TO THESE BASTARD'S WRONGDOINGS, THEY'RE ESSENTIALLY SAYING THAT
THEY'D ALSO TURN A BLIND EYE TOWARDS US JIANGHU TYPES, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
PUNK, YOU DIDN'T HEAR THAT FROM ME
AFTER THE WU HOUR
STIR UP TROUBLE
WHAT DO WE DO? OUR MONEY'S BEEN SNATCHED, OUR KID'S ILLNESS.
DON'T WORRY I'LL GO LOOK FOR A JOB. PERHAPS WITH THE SALARY
HEY MUNCHKINS, C'MERE!
?
BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU I NEED ONE OF YOU TO BRING THAT LADY OVER TO MY PLACE TO LOOK FOR DOCTOR SUN
THE OTHER WILL BRING HER HUSBAND TO THE PIER TO ASK ELDEST MISTRESS YE FOR SOME WORK.
I'LL HAVE THE THUGS ON THIS STREET JOIN THE GANG
OF THE ONE WHO FINISHES THIS TASK THE FASTEST!
SHOULD I GET FISH, OR SHOULD I GET EGGS...?
I'M REALLY CRAVING FOR SOME TOFU FISH SOUP
BUT QIUBAO LIKES HAVING EGG CUSTARD
GRAINS ARE STILL SO EXPENSIVE, I HAVE TO SPEND CAREFULLY
SHOULD I GET EGGS OR FISH...?
MISS, ARE YOU PLANNING TO BUY OR NOT...?
MN, GET ME A FI—
ZOOM


Aiyah.
Hehe!
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO AGAIN? RUNNING SO QUICKLY!
STAND TO THE SIDE. DON'T LET THEM KNOCK INTO YOU.
MUAH
"THEM"?
THAT WAY!
Stop Right There!
Hey! I'm over here!
WE FOUND HIM! WE FOUND HIM!
AFTER HIM!!!
BI BEGGAR! HOW DARE YOU CHEAT US! RETURN ME MY MONEY!
CATCH HIM!
WAH, MISS, BE CAREFUL OF THE USHERS...
BOSS, I'D LIKE 2 JINS OF EGGS!
...SURE, HERE...
BROTHER TUO!
WHERE ARE THE KIDS THAT WERE JUST SENT HERE? I TOOK BACK HER PARENTS' SAVINGS!
HER PARENTS DIDN'T WANT YOU TO PAY OUT OF YOUR OWN POCKET, BUT THEIR MONEY WAS STOLEN BY THE USHERS. HERE, THE CONSULTATION FEES!
I KNOW
BUT, THEY JUST LEFT
BY THE TIME THE CHILD WAS SENT HERE, SHE HAD ALREADY BREATHED HER LAST
...EH, WHY ARE YOU HERE BY YOURSELF? WHERE'S QIUBAO?
I WANTED TO GET SOME BUNS FOR HIM...
HE'S NOT HERE. HE'S PROBABLY GONE OUT OF THE CITY
OUT OF THE CITY? TO THE BARRACKS?
TO THE MASS GRAVES.
WEST OF THE CITY, THERE'S A MASS GRAVE WITHIN THE MOUNTAINS.
MANY YEARS BACK, I PICKED UP QIUBAO THERE.
BACK THEN, I WAS THERE TO BURY MY WIFE. WHILE SHOVELING, I DUG OUT A KID, AND A LIVE ONE AT THAT.
HEHE, TIME SURE FLIES BY QUICKLY
IT WAS ALMOST AS THOUGH HE WAS BURIED ALIVE—
You don't have to say anymore. Have a bun!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME THE THINGS QIUBAO HASN'T TOLD ME. I'LL BE GOOD TO HIM, SO DON'T WORRY!
THAT DUMMY, THE SUN'S ABOUT TO SET!
HA.
SHE'S STILL... A SILLY LASS.
THANK YOU, GREAT HERO...
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QIUBAO!
!
XIAOXIAO?
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE? THE SKY'S GETTING DARK!
I LOST TRACK OF TIME WHILE PLAYING...
Aiyah.
NO MATTER WHERE YOU GO TO PLAY,
REMEMBER TO COME HOME FOR DINNER
MN!
WALK PROPERLY! WHAT'RE YOU LEANING ON ME FOR?!